# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3708
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REPRESENTATIONS ON FOREST DEPLETION
AMBATI BRAHMANAIAH

**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have received any representations on the depletion of forests due to products such as agarbathies and incense stick;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether the Government have conducted any study in this regard;

(d) if so, the details of the study; and

(e) the quantum of wood and bamboo used every year to make combustible products like agarbathies?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS ( SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. Representations have been received regarding the destruction of forests due to use of agarbathies and other traditional incense sticks.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The information on the quantum of wood and bamboo used every year to make combustible products like agarbathies is not available.